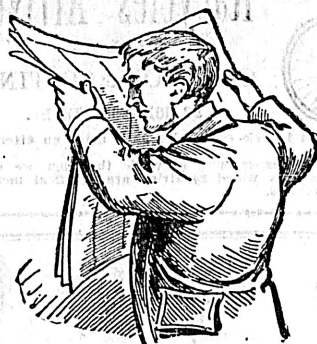


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## The Day Of Small Things

Routine Largely Occupies The  
Attention of the Local  
Legislature.

House Puts Itself On Record  
In the Silver-Lead  
Question.

Mr. Curtis Free Passes Bill  
Bobs Up Serenely Obstinacy  
Illustrated.

White-winged peace hovered over the  
legislature yesterday, where King  
Edmund reigned.

There was absolutely nothing in the  
proceedings to stimulate a quickening of  
the pulse, and those who filled the spec-  
tators' gallery voted the show as drearily  
monotonous as a Shakespearean com-  
edy in the hands of a mediocre actor.

Numerous public measures were "ad-  
vanced a stage" or sometimes two, the  
House was put on record as urging Do-  
minion action in the interest of the sil-  
ver-lead industry—and that was about  
all.

Included in the routine of the day was  
a report from the Railway committee,  
recommending as in order the bills of  
the Morrissey, Fernie & Michel line, the  
Pacific Northern, Quinnes, and the  
British Columbia Northern & Macken-  
zie Valley road. Mr. Hawthornthwaite's  
bill to amend the Trades Unions Act  
was introduced and received its initial  
reading; the House committee on the  
Medical Act amendment bill (Mr. Hay-  
ward) completed its labors; and the bill  
respecting the support of illegitimate  
children passed through the committee  
stage. The Children's Protection Act  
amendment bill, the bill to amend the  
Benevolent Societies Act, and the bill  
to amend the Department of Mines Act  
were given their third readings; and Mr.  
Gardner's bill to provide needed machin-  
ery for the effective working of the  
Special Surveys Act, was given its second  
reading and went through committee.

### LEAD DUTIES QUESTION.

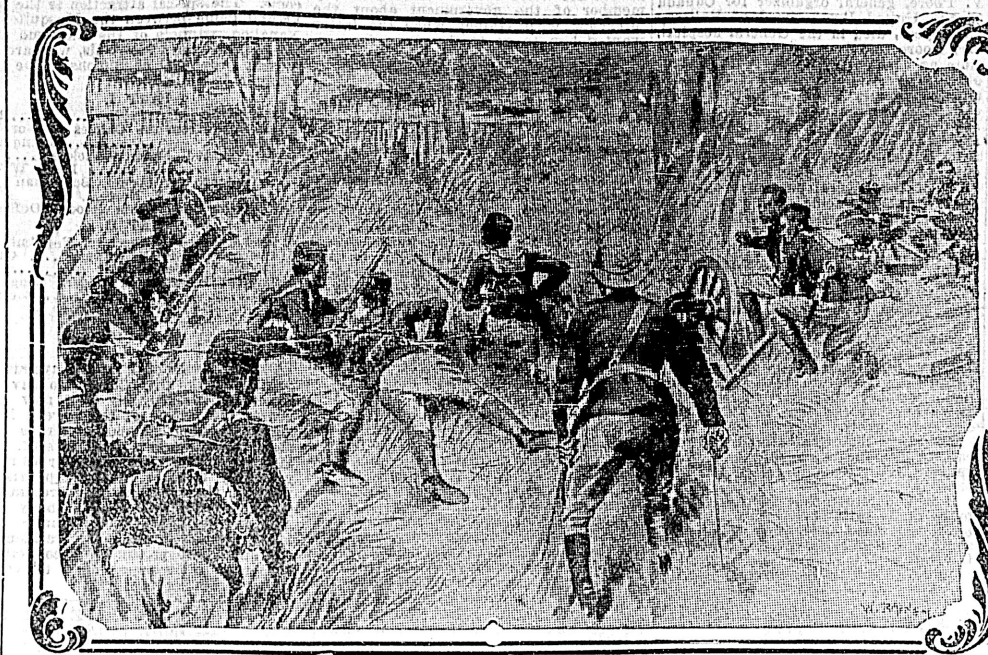
In moving the resolution, of which he  
had given due notice, deploring the in-  
action of the Dominion government in fail-  
ing to meet the requests of British Col-  
umbia for fair treatment for the silver-  
lead industry, Mr. Houston pointed out  
how ununanimous had been the expres-  
sions of opinion on the part of repre-  
sentative bodies throughout the country  
on this question; and briefly elaborated  
his resolution, which was quite in line  
with the resolution that passed the  
House last session on the same subject.  
The motion was not proposed as one of  
censure upon the Dominion government,  
but merely as emphasizing the unanim-  
ity of provincial feeling on this ques-  
tion, and as an appeal to Ottawa for  
justice therein.

The resolution was supported by the  
opposition leader, who regretted that  
despite the persistent agitation of the  
mining men of the province, the repre-  
sentative bodies of the Dominion, and  
the efforts of Mr. Gallinger, the fed-  
eral government had as yet seen fit to  
do nothing in the way of affording this  
important industry relief. He expected  
that the Minister of Mines would be  
able to tell the House that the present  
had been active, while in Ottawa, with  
the Attorney-General, in pressing this  
matter upon the Dominion ministers.

Mr. Curtis did not find the resolu-  
tion as drafted quite in accord with his  
idea of what it should be. He briefly elab-  
orated the situation with respect to the  
silver-lead industry as it stands at pres-  
ent, and energetically maintained that  
the duties on lead products should be in-  
creased if the industries of British Col-  
umbia were to be treated with the same  
liberality and encouragement as kindred  
industries in the Eastern provinces. It  
was not right that the whole tariff as  
it affects British Columbia should be re-  
adjusted. This province, as a matter  
of right, should ask for at least an  
equal duty on lead ore and its products  
as given other manufactures of Eastern  
Canada, not less than 35 per cent. He  
referred to the disparity in British Col-  
umbia's contributions to federal revenue  
and the return therefrom; and dealing  
with the announcement from Ottawa,  
in consequence of the mining association's  
efforts to secure increased duties—that  
the tariff could not be amended this  
year, he suggested that in the present  
the House, while endorsing the principle  
as before, should at the same time  
strengthen the hands of the mining  
men who were now asking for a bounty.  
In this direction, he proposed to slight-  
ly amend the resolution by substituting  
in place of the words "upon the repre-  
sentations made," "to aid the industry in  
some substantial manner," and for  
"only" the word "best," a few lines  
further on. With a little reasonable  
amendment, it was his opinion that the  
lead mines of British Columbia  
would soon be producing 10,000 tons a  
year.

Mr. Houston accepted the amendment  
—on the single condition that the mem-  
ber for British Columbia should not talk any  
more on the subject.  
"I agree to the condition," said Mr.  
Curtis, laughingly.

Mr. Green also favored the resolution,  
as amended, and held that conditions  
had only changed for the worse since  
last year, when a similar resolution  
had passed the House unanimously.  
The Minister of Mines (Hon. Col.



Rushing a Stockade in West Africa—Reproduced From a Sketch Made by an Officer  
of the Expedition.

## TWO HUNDRED BRITISH SOLDIERS KILLED

"I Regret to Report" --- Oft Repeated Tale of Empire Told Once More in  
West Africa. Flying Column Ambushed Ten Officers and  
One Hundred and Eighty Men Killed.

London, April 23.—The war office today  
received from Brigadier-General Manning,  
in command of the British forces in So-  
maliland, a despatch dated 20 miles west  
of Galadi, Somaliland, April 18th, as fol-  
lows:

"I regret to report that a flying column  
under the command of Col. Cobbe, which  
left Galadi on April 10th, to reconnoitre  
the road to Walwal, had a most serious  
check on April 17th. On the morning of  
April 17th Col. Cobbe was at Gumburu,  
40 miles westward of Galadi, and had de-  
cided to return to Galadi owing to the  
serious difficulty in finding the road to  
Walwal, and to the shortness of water.  
He was about to leave his zareba (protected  
camp) when firing was heard in the direc-  
tion of a small party under the command  
of Capt. Olney, which had been sent in  
a westerly direction to reconnoitre.  
"At 9:35 in the morning Col. Cobbe de-  
spatched Colonel Plunkett with 100 men  
of the second battalion of the King's Afri-  
can Rifles, 18 men of the 2nd Sikhs and  
two guns for the extinction of Capt. Olney,  
if necessary. As a matter of fact,  
Capt. Olney had not been engaged.  
"Col. Plunkett, on joining the detach-  
ment, continued to push on. At 11:45 Col.

Cobbe heard heavy firing in the direction  
taken by Col. Plunkett, and about one  
thousand fugitives coming in reported  
that Col. Plunkett had been defeated with  
loss.

"The news has been fully corroborated  
since, and I have to report the total loss  
of Col. Plunkett's party, with the exception  
of 37 men, who escaped here.  
"The latest information extracted from  
the fugitives is to the effect that Col.  
Plunkett pushed on after the enemy's force  
to the open country, seven miles west of  
Gumburu, where he was attacked by a  
very strong force of mounted troops and  
the enemy's infantry, who attacked at  
close quarters. He kept back the enemy  
until he had no more ammunition, when  
he formed a square and charged with bay-  
onets in the direction of Col. Cobbe's zar-  
eba. He moved some distance in this  
manner, but a great many men, including  
Col. Plunkett himself, were killed or wound-  
ed by the pursuing enemy. At last the  
enemy's infantry overcame the square  
and annihilated them all, with the excep-  
tion of the 37 fugitives above mentioned.  
The despatches close with a list of the  
"officers and men missing, and no doubt  
killed in action," namely, Col. W. V. Plun-

kett, Captains Johnston, Stewart, Olney,  
Morris and McKinnon, and Lieutenants  
Gaynor and Bell, all of the King's African  
Rifles; Capt. Vizey of the 2nd Sikhs; Capt.  
Sime, of the Indian staff, two white pri-  
vates, 48 men of the 2nd Sikhs and 124  
men of the African Rifles. The two Max-  
im guns and were lost.

Another despatch from Brigadier-General  
Manning immediately on hearing of the defeat  
of Col. Plunkett, started for Gumburu  
with 400 men, says further information  
reached him from Col. Cobbe to the effect  
that the latter with 220 troops were en-  
camped with plenty of food and supplies  
and four days' water. He has about 1-  
000 camels, and does not think he can with-  
draw from his position without assistance,  
because the scrub is thick and the enemy's  
forces seem likely to act on the offensive.  
General Manning adds: "I march again  
directly and expect to arrive at Gumburu  
tomorrow at noon. I shall accomplish the  
extinction of Col. Cobbe with as much  
transport as possible, and return to Galadi.  
I can only carry sufficient water for the  
march to Gumburu, returning directly. I  
shall, therefore, be unable to advance  
against the enemy if the latter holds  
back."

## Debating The Budget

Ottawa House Still Discussing  
the Financial Programme  
of Government.

Consul General Nosse to Pro-  
test Against the Anti-  
Japanese Laws.

Advocates Propose Bonus for  
Canadian Northern—Trades  
Councils Object.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 23.—The debate on the  
budget was continued by Mr. Clancy  
and Mr. Davis (Saskatchewan). The  
latter advocated government guarantee  
of the bonds of the Canadian Northern  
to the extent of \$15,000 per mile.  
Premier Laurier told Mr. Clarke that  
he had no information from the British  
government about abolishing the  
duty on corn.

The telephone question was up before  
the Railway committee on Mr. Mc-  
Lenn's bill. It was ultimately referred  
to a special committee before whom rep-  
resentatives of municipalities will ap-  
pear. His bill also to amend the Rail-  
way Act, compelling railway companies  
to give connection at their depots to all  
telephone companies, was referred to the  
same committee.

The Trades and Labor Council of  
Quebec petitioned that government  
should build the new transcontinental  
line.  
Consul-General Nosse is here to pro-  
test against the latest legislation of British  
Columbia against the Japanese. It  
will certainly be disallowed as soon as  
received here.

Hon. Mr. Shimizu, who was Japan-  
ese consul at Vancouver, has been ap-  
pointed consul-general at Chicago.

SUITAX IN GERMANY.  
Radicals Advocate Temporarily Policy  
and Agrarians Pierce Retaliation.

Toronto, April 23.—The News' Lon-  
don cable says: German sugar makers  
and growers say that the surtax imposed  
by the Canadian government on Ger-  
man goods will do incalculable damage  
to their industries. Herr Richter, lead-  
er of the Radicals, urges that there  
should be no retaliation as that would  
only augment the difficulties of the sit-  
uation and keep Germany from concluding  
a new commercial treaty with England.  
The Agrarians, advocates energetic re-  
taliation, maintaining that such a policy  
will stop Chamberlain's idea of com-  
mercial union between the colonies and  
the Motherland. The tariff act of 1895  
enables the Emperor, with the assent of  
the federal council, to double the duty  
on Canadian imports without consulting  
the Reichstag.

## CARPENTERS STRIKE.

Five Hundred Montreal Workers Ask  
for Increase and Recognition.

Montreal, April 23.—Five hundred  
carpenters quit work today by order of  
the district council of the Brotherhood  
of Carpenters and Joiners. The strik-  
ers want 25 cents an hour and recogni-  
tion of the union.

MORE DEAD RECOVERED.  
Seven Additional Frozen Corpses Found  
in Silesia as Result of Storm.

Breslau, Silesia, April 23.—Seven  
more bodies have been found frozen in  
the snow drifts, making a total of twenty-  
two persons who have been frozen to  
death in Silesia as a result of the re-  
cent storms. Four dead were found in  
the province of Posen.

BAGDAD RAILWAY.  
British Government Decide Not to Take  
Part in Its Construction.

London, April 23.—In the House of  
Commons today, Premier Balfour an-  
nounced that the government had de-  
cided not to participate in the Bagdad  
railroad scheme. The Imperial Ottoman  
Bagdad Railroad Company was or-  
ganized at Constantinople on April 13,  
with a capital of \$8,000,000. It was  
then understood that Great Britain,  
France and Germany were to participate  
equally in the control of the road, the  
headquarters of which are to be at  
Constantinople.

BRITISH SHIPPING TRADE.  
Government Prepared to Deal Favor-  
ably With Foreign Owned Vessels.

London, April 23.—The president of  
the Board of Trade, Gerald Balfour, an-  
swering a question in the House of  
Commons today, said that if a private  
member should introduce a bill embody-  
ing the views of ship owners as to ex-  
tending to foreign owned vessels the  
laws governing British shipping trading  
between ports of the United Kingdom,  
the government was prepared to favor-  
ably consider it, on the understanding  
that it would be referred to a select  
committee if it passed its second read-  
ing.

CARRIERS TO REVISIT RATES.  
Interstate Commission Refuse to Sanc-  
tion Increase in Grain Charges.

New York, April 23.—The interstate  
commerce commission today announced  
a decision in the case of the proposed  
advance in freight rates on various  
articles between Chicago and New  
York. The proposed advance in  
freight rates affected iron articles,  
dressed beef, packing house products,  
grain and grain products, and have been  
under consideration by the commission  
all winter. The commission's decision  
is that the proposed advances in the  
rates on grain and grain products are  
not justified. The finding says the pro-  
ceeding in this case was in the form of  
a general investigation, and that no or-  
der can be made thereon on the record,  
but that "further proceedings will be  
commenced unless the respondent car-  
riers readjust their rates on grain and  
grain products" in accordance with the  
views of the decision, or before May 15,  
1903. The rate on other articles than  
grain is not condemned.

## Mainland Yesterday

Dr. Carroll Wins His Appeal  
Against the Vancouver  
Corporation.

Fort Simpson Indians Insist  
That the New Agent Is  
Unsatisfactory.

Wedding of Terminal City's Old-  
est Native Son and Fairest  
Daughter.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, April 23.—The appeal in  
Carroll vs. Vancouver has been heard  
with costs. Dr. Carroll sued the city for  
expropriating property for water works  
purposes without paying for it. He lost  
the suit and appealed to the Full Court.  
Wm. Pollard and Jos. Bradley, Fort  
Simpson Indians, called at the Ledger  
office today with an interpreter, and  
asked the Ledger to publish a statement  
from them regarding the narrow ap-  
pointment. Wm. Pollard was the spokes-  
man and dictated the following state-  
ment, which was translated from the In-  
dian language by the interpreter: "The  
Fort Simpson Indians all around here  
do not want him. We know this man  
and we know what he has done in the  
past, and we cannot understand from  
what we know, how he could be placed  
over us to guide us. He is a very young  
man, has no experience, does not know  
anything about our people, and called us  
names we would be ashamed to call any  
one. We do not want to choose a man  
ourselves, but we do want the govern-  
ment to choose a man who knows the  
work he had to do and is able to do it."  
"There is only one word and 'one  
heart' up at Fort Simpson between all  
the chiefs, and that is that Mr. Mor-  
row is not the right man for them and  
they do not want him. We know that  
Canada is a great country, and surely  
the government can appoint a good man,  
one whom they would not be ashamed  
to follow. I saw in the paper the other  
day that the Indians around Fort  
Simpson were satisfied with the ap-  
pointment of Mr. Morrow. This is not  
so. This talk comes from Mr. Morrow  
and his friends only. A man who has  
a nice front garden wants to grow  
something that will climb his fence and  
come to see, so that people when they  
come by will look up and say how good  
it looks. So do the Indians want a  
guide whom they can look up to and  
respect as a good man. I wonder why  
these men send these letters to the  
papers about the Indians being  
satisfied do not put their names to the  
letters. It think it is those people who  
are always against the Indians who  
have sent these unsigned letters. I  
know the four white men these letters  
are coming from. They have always  
been against the Indians. The Indians  
went to Nans river on the 5th of March.  
Mr. Morrow did not interview the chiefs  
before he sent them these letters. The  
Indians will not return until the 1st  
of May. The Rev. S. S. Osterhout,  
B. A., who is now in Victoria, will  
agree with everything I have said."

### FASHIONABLE WEDDING.

The marriage of the oldest native-  
born resident of this city, and one of  
Vancouver's first daughters took place  
yesterday. The contracting parties were  
Mr. H. O. Alexander, S. M., son of Mr.  
H. O. Alexander, manager of the Hast-  
ings Hotel, and Miss Anna Sophrosyne  
Rouleau, of this city. The wedding was  
one of the smartest and most largely at-  
tended that has taken place in the city  
for some time. It was celebrated at the  
Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary.  
The ceremony occurred at 11:15  
o'clock, and was performed by the Rev.  
Father LeChesne. The church was  
crowded to the doors long before the  
hour set for the ceremony. The bride  
entered the church on the arm of Col.  
Worsnop, who gave her away. The  
actual ceremony was performed in the  
vestry, after which the wedding party  
drove to the residence of Colonel Wors-  
nop and Mrs. Worsnop, at 741 Thurlow  
street, where an informal wedding re-  
ception was held. The bride was attired  
in a handsome costume of white basket  
lace and white with a black sash and  
trimmed with black applique. The  
bridesmaids were Miss Ida Cambie and  
Miss Bertha Rouleau.  
The carpenters have won their strike.  
The board of arbitrators declaring that  
\$3.20 a day of eight hours shall be the  
minimum wage.

### RED RIVER VETERAN DEAD.

W. T. Scott of First Expedition Died in  
California Yesterday.  
Toronto, April 23.—Word comes from  
Los Angeles, California, that there,  
from paralysis, of W. T. Scott, eldest  
son of Major Scott, of the 45th Regi-  
ment (retired). Mr. Scott, who was  
aged about 63, was a member of the  
Red River expedition of 1870, serving  
in the 45th Regiment of Ontario Rifles.  
A widow and three children survive him.

### OIL COMPANY'S PLANT EXPLODES

Minneapolis Factory Completely  
Wrecked and Great Dam-  
age Done.

Minneapolis, April 23.—The North-  
western Star Oil Company's plant, in  
the Milling district, blew up this after-  
noon. A fierce fire is now raging in the  
ruins. The plant was completely wreck-  
ed, and it is believed several lives were  
lost. Two injured men have been taken  
to the hospital. There were 20 em-  
ployees, and thus far but eleven have  
been accounted for.  
No explanation of the explosion is yet  
available, and none of the injured are  
able to throw any light on it. The force  
completely demolished the large oil tank  
and the smaller ones that surrounded it,  
as well as the brick office building. A  
number of the workmen escaped unin-  
jured. Glass was broken and damage  
done in surrounding houses within a  
radius of several blocks.

### CONTRACT LABOR.

Montreal, April 27.—The Star's Lon-  
don cable says: Fifty Englishmen dock  
labors, left Liverpool port for Mont-  
real under agreement with stevedores  
there in view of the dock strike.



## Britain's Huge Indebtedness

Chancellor of the Exchequer Presents His Budget to Parliament.

Nearly Four Billions the Present Amount of the National Debt.

London, April 23.—The budget, which was introduced in the House of Commons today, shows an estimated expenditure for 1903-04 of £710,770,000. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Ritchie, fixed the national debt charge at £135,000,000, of which £31,500,000 is available for the sinking fund. The estimated revenue on the existing basis of taxation is £775,550,000, leaving an available surplus of £84,083,000.

The duty on tea, which the trade expected would be reduced, is not changed. Mr. Ritchie's proposals include: The abolition of the duty on grain, the tax on sugar and coal are unchanged, fourpence is taken off the income tax.

Mr. Ritchie opened with the pleasing scheme that whereas his predecessors had to impose fresh taxation it was his task to remit burdens. He thought there was nothing in the monetary situation to create alarm. Money necessarily had been scarce and dear, as in addition to the government demand there had been many other calls on the market. Any further demands on account of the Transvaal, however, would be wholly for reproductive works, and would have the full guarantee of the British government.

The total expenditures of the state for the past year from every source was £1,005,635,000. He estimated the cost of the wars in South Africa and China for the last four years at £1,085,000,000, of which £340,000,000 had been defrayed by the revenue. The sum of £745,000,000 is charged to the capital account. The latter would be reduced to £350,000,000 by the Transvaal repayment and the Chinese indemnity.

Including the War Department, the national indebtedness now reached the enormous total of £1,745,000,000. Owing to the expenditure for 1903-04, the Chancellor estimated that it would amount to £719,770,000, and he proposed to fix the annual national debt charge at £135,000,000, of which £31,500,000 is available for the sinking fund.

The Chancellor viewed with great concern the increased expenditure, and hoped great reduction would be possible soon. On the other hand, the possession of a strong navy was not a matter of national pride, but of national life or death, and to preserve a strong navy he would grudge no cost. In this connection, the Chancellor referred to the improved relations between Great Britain and France, and to the approaching visit of King Edward to Paris. The Chancellor, who spoke for an hour and fifty minutes, received approving cheers, especially when he announced the remission of the grain duties. Sir William Vernon-Harcourt (Liberal) former Chancellor of the Exchequer, followed.

Sir William said he thought it was scandalously unjust that the well-to-do classes should be relieved to such an extent, while the wage-earners' only advantage was the remission of £10,000,000 in indirect taxation. The grain tax, he added, was an infamous one, and he was glad therefore that it was repealed. The speaker vehemently complained of the proposed expenditure for South Africa, which he claimed ought to pay for the war. The colonies, he further asserted, ought to contribute towards the support of the navy. No sober-minded man could justify the enormous expenditure of the government.

## RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

Two Lads in Avoiding One Train Step in Front of Another.

Brockville, April 23.—Two boys named Fred and Roland Lane, aged 12 and 15 years, respectively, sons of William Lane, residing five miles from Prescott, on the Montreal and Ottawa railway, were struck about 11:35 this morning by the Grand Trunk Limited train, three miles West of Prescott. They were walking home from Prescott and stepped out of the way of an Eastbound freight, in front of the limited. The engines on the latter was unable to stop to avoid the accident. Roland was killed outright, while his brother sustained serious injuries. His recovery is doubtful. Both were brought to Brockville, Fred being removed to the hospital for treatment. An inquest will be held over the body of the brother.

## GAMEY INVESTIGATION.

Principal Ordered Two Weeks Rest by His Physician.

Toronto, April 23.—The Gamey bribery investigation was resumed this morning, but Mr. Gamey was not present, having been ordered away by his physician for two weeks rest. Frank Sullivan was in the witness box this morning, and said it was a suggestion that he introduced him to Hon. J. R. Stratton. Gamey also requested him to introduce him to Aylesworth, to whom he said he had been elected to support the government. On September 9 Gamey saw Hon. Mr. Stratton, and also told him that he had been elected to support the government.

## WOOLLEN WORKERS STRIKE.

Hespeler, Ont., April 23.—Employees of the Canada Woolen Mills, of which James Kendrick, M. P., is manager, went out on strike today for a 55-hour week. They have been working 60.

## INSURANCE MAN DEAD.

Toronto, April 23.—Wm. McCauley, managing director of the North American Life Assurance Company, died tonight, aged 63 years.

Scrofula is a bad thing to inherit or acquire, but there is this about it—Hood's Sarsaparilla completely cures even the worst cases.

## SMALL SHIP FIRE.

Liverpool, April 23.—Capt. Appleby, of the Red Star line steamer "Priesland," which arrived here yesterday from Philadelphia, reports that fire broke out in No. 3 hold of the steamer when she was three days out from Philadelphia; the crew subdued the outbreak. There was no panic on board.

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## BIG LABOR STRIKE.

Montreal Carpenters and Joiners Go Out for Better Terms.

Montreal, April 23.—One of the biggest labor strikes in the history of Montreal commenced at noon today, when 750 carpenters and joiners quit work to enforce their demands for a nine-hour day with a minimum rate of 25¢ cents an hour.

## ORGANIZER DEAD.

General Worker of U. B. R. E. Succumbs to Scarlet Fever in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, April 23.—Today Harold V. Moore, general organizer for Canada of the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees, died in the General Hospital. Mr. Moore had been employed for some time as cashier in the C. P. R. freight office at Vancouver. He left that position on January 1 for the purpose of becoming organizer of the U. B. R. E., but upon reaching Winnipeg in February was stricken with scarlet fever, from which disease he passed away today. John Moore, chief clerk in the office of the general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, St. Paul, is a brother, and the widow resides in Vancouver.

## SITUATION AT NANAIMO.

Perjury Case Progresses—Another Delegation of Miners is Coming.

Nanaimo, April 23.—In the Huff perjury case, Waterhouse was nearly six hours on the stand today, and was subjected to a most severe cross-examination. Twenty witnesses yet remain to be taken, but the case is likely to be closed tomorrow.

The story that Cumberland was to be called out appears to be a canard. Premier Baker remains quietly in Nanaimo.

It is understood that another effort is to be made to interview Mr. Dunsinville by a combined delegation from the latter union deny that they have been called out by the former.

## EASTERN WAR CLOUD GATHERS

Russia Makes Formal Demand for Manchuria—Japan Assembles Navy.

Peking, April 23.—Russia has demanded that China sign an agreement practically ceding to her the sovereignty of Manchuria and excluding other nations from that country. The Russian Charge d'Affaires M. Platonov, has informed Prince Ching, president of the Foreign office, that no further steps in the evacuation of Manchuria will be taken until this agreement is signed.

Yokohama, April 23.—Three Japanese warships have been ordered to New Chang. Marquis Ito has held a secret conference with the leading Japanese statesmen. The Russian demands for privileges in Manchuria have excited the Japanese press, which insists on vigorous action, confident that the United States as well as Great Britain will support Japan. Arrangements have been reached by which the political crisis has been averted, but the government's naval increment proposals remain unchanged.

## LEAD ORE DIFFICULTIES.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy Predicts Possibilities Unless Change of Conditions.

Montreal, April 23.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, in an interview today, dealt with a statement which has been made relative to the possible closing down of one of the Canadian Pacific Railway lines. He said that he was not "in the least" interested in the matter, but that it was his duty to state that he was not in the least interested in the matter, but that it was his duty to state that he was not in the least interested in the matter.

## DREYFUS MAY SUCCEED.

Probable That President Loubet on Return Will Reopen Case.

Paris, April 23.—It is semi-officially stated that owing to the absence of War Minister Andre no action will be taken on the letter from Alfred Dreyfus asking for a reopening of his case until the minister's return, when it will be presented to the council of ministers, probably soon after President Loubet's return. It is believed Dreyfus' request will be granted.

## WILLIAM K. WILL WED.

Head of Vanderbilts About to Marry Muchly-Wedded Lady.

London, April 23.—The engagement of Mrs. John H. Vanderbilt to William K. Vanderbilt is confirmed. It is known whether the wedding will take place here or in Paris, but it will not take place at the United States embassy here nor at the London residence of Secord White, Mrs. Vanderbilt's brother-in-law.

Mrs. Anna H. Vanderbilt is a sister of Oliver Harriman, jr., of this city, and of Mrs. William R. Travers.

Mrs. Travers, it is understood, is to be married in due course, and is presumably to attend the marriage of her sister to Mr. Vanderbilt. Mrs. Henry White, wife of the secretary of the American embassy to Great Britain, is a sister of Lewis M. Vanderbilt, who was Mrs. Vanderbilt's second husband. The first husband was S. S. Sands.

## MONTREAL'S BIG STRIKE.

Probability That Over Two Thousand Workers Will Be Affected.

Montreal, April 23.—Six hundred carpenters were called out of sixteen shops at noon today and many of the large buildings which were to have been ready for May 1 are now completely tied up. The authorization to call out the 2,500 men engaged at the enterprise business at Montreal was received from the headquarters of the brotherhood last night, but for some reason or other, action was deferred until this afternoon. The officials of the union decline to give their reasons for calling out the men in these particular shops, and not in others. They say that their next step will depend on circumstances, but it is quite certain that unless a settlement is reached at once, all the carpenters and joiners in the city will be out within a day or two, except those employed in shops that have already agreed to pay the new rates of wages. The master carpenters say there are no shops which have so promised. The brotherhood say there are.

## INVESTIGATING GAMEY CHARGES

Sullivan Swears was Offered Five Thousand to Corroborate Story.

Toronto, April 23.—At the afternoon session of the Gamey investigation, Frank Sullivan's examination was continued by Mr. Blake. Sullivan stated he did not want to tell stories, or any member of the government about the interview with Gamey when the latter wanted him to go to the piano factory. Witness said he went to the piano factory to see how far Gamey would go in the matter. Gamey had said he could get him to "lift" the story and everything, and he had said "Meet me at the piano factory and I can fix this, and I can get the money."

Witness, under a severe cross-examination by Mr. Blake, said he did not get the money, that they had not even talked about the money which he said Gamey was to give him. Witness said that Gamey's object in going to the piano factory was to see how good a story it would be. Gamey, he claimed, had told him that they would defeat the government on the story, and that he was going to be appointed minister of mines. He admitted that he might have said that Mr. Stratton was a money man, he said, of Gamey, was that Gamey was playing him, and he was playing Gamey. He had Gamey under the impression that all he had to do was to go up to the parliament buildings and see his fingers, and down came the ministers, and from what he saw, Gamey believed it.

Witness said he corrected Gamey as he was rehearsing his story. Witness had said to Gamey, "You said you had money to give me, but you took that money to Chase and Chase took that money to the smoking room." Gamey said: "All right, I will write it down," and he took a small book out of his pocket and put it on his knee and wrote just across it, "Chase."

He did not have any too much faith in Gamey. He was covering himself pretty well. He was not leaving himself open to Gamey's witness, and Gamey had tried to lead him to believe that he had received money from his own party to put this thing up.

Sullivan said Gamey had offered him \$2,000, and at that account he thought Gamey had got money from his own party. Witness said he did not take the money, as it was not offered in the way the other money was to be offered. Gamey, Sullivan swore, had offered him \$2,000 to corroborate his story. Afterwards he said: "I will give you \$5,000 if you will corroborate the story that I read in the parliament buildings."

## ROSSLAND IN LINE.

Mayor Calls Public Meeting to Urge Protection For Lead Mines.

Rossland, April 23.—Mayor Dean has called a public meeting of the Union Hill, Saturday night, to consider resolutions aimed at the inability of the Federal government to grant protective tariff on lead products imported into Canada, and under that action has taken to afford relief to Canadian lead industry. Considerable interest is manifested in the movement.

## NATIONAL MUNICIPAL LEAGUE.

Annual Meeting Opens in Detroit—Small Attendance.

Detroit, April 22.—The attendance at the opening session of the National Municipal League was somewhat disappointing. About seventy delegates were expected, but only about half that number were present.

An exhaustive report of the year's work was read by the secretary of the National League. The recent elections in Chicago and Cleveland were pointed to as teaching the lesson that there must be an end to tampering with the city by the legislature, and that national parties must cease from placing national issues to the front in local campaigns.

## NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

Last Meeting One of Most Interesting of Season's Series.

The recent meeting of the Natural History Society was one of the most interesting of the series held this season. Mr. W. P. Best submitted specimens of coal said to be from Nitinat Lake, V. I. a cannibal and native hunter from Sechart, native ative hunter from Queen Charlotte Islands, and testimony from San Juan river. Mr. Sutton said that so far, on the Island Sechart was found in locality in which cannibal had been found. Aresenal ores were more common. Native antimony veins are found in San Juan river valley, near Lilboet and on the North shore of Great Central lake. A specimen of bog ore was submitted from Quatsino, where it was reported there were at least 100,000 tons. Mr. Sutton was doubtful of the specimen of coal which came from Nitinat lake.

Mr. Baynes-Keed reported at some length on the larvae of a Bombyliid moth which was referred to him for identification, giving an interesting life history. The moth in question attached itself to conifers and was very destructive. Mr. Sylvester was appointed acting treasurer during the absence of Mr. Crook.

Notice was given of the intention of the society to incorporate under the provisions of the Benevolent and Friendly Associations Act.

Mr. E. A. Wallace then read a paper entitled "What is Our Man's Meat is Another Man's Poison." This related to edible fungi and other dietary provisions of nature overlooked in the ordinary menu of civilized peoples. Many useful foods known to and used by native tribes, he said, might be incorporated into our bills of fare, and he proceeded to enumerate a number coming within his own experience in different parts of the world. His paper was most interesting and called for considerable discussion.

Reference to a previous paper by Mr. E. F. Robinson on "The Anatomy and Refraction of the Human Eye," has been omitted in these columns. It was very carefully prepared, and Mr. Robinson, who is particularly well versed in the subject, has been in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take.

## DANGER OF COLDS AND LA GRIPPE.

The greatest danger from colds and in gripple is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have written me in remembrance of these diseases have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that it is a certain preventive of that dangerous ailment. It will cure a cold or an attack of gripple in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take.

## TOMORROW NIGHTS' CONCERT

New Musical Selections and Basketball Match, Nanaimo vs. Fernwoods.

At the promenade concert tomorrow evening, at the Drill Hall, there will be several first-time musical numbers. "Violets," now so popular with vocalists, will be played with an obligato for concert. This song is being saturated with success by Hubert Wilkes (the tenor) at the Studebaker theatre, Chicago, where the "Chinese Honeymoon" is having a phenomenal run. Rose's march, "The Battleship," is another new selection. Selections from the "Chimes of Normandy" and "Robin Hood" are also selections that are always welcome. The special attraction is the basketball game between the Mosquitos of Nanaimo, winners of the Nanaimo City League, and the Fernwoods, who are the present provincial champions. The programme in full follows:

- PART I.
1. March—The Battleship.....Rose
  2. Selection from the Chimes of Normandy.....Hubert Wilkes
  3. Interpolated Number—Violets.....Hubert Wilkes
  4. Selection from Robin Hood.....DeKoven
- PART II.
5. Basketball—Fernwood vs. Nanaimo.
  6. Concert Valse—Soushaire.....Gungl
  7. Basketball—Fernwood vs. Nanaimo.
  8. Popular Selection of Modern Songs.....Boettger
  9. God Save the King.....Boettger

THE residents of Pandora avenue are petitioning the City Council to have the street car company lay their new track nearer the middle of that street, it being so inconvenient and dangerous while the sidewalk as at present. Mr. Hanna arranged with the car company yesterday to have them stop further work on the street until he presents the petition to the council on Monday evening, and as the company have very kindly agreed to please the residents of the street, we presume the council will recognize their opportunity to correct a long-standing mistake.

## OLD PEOPLE HAVE THEIR TROUBLES.

Mr. Francis Little, of Benton Harbor, Mich., is an old soldier and is now over eighty years of age. Like many other old people he is often troubled with a sour stomach, indigestion, constipation, etc. He has been troubled more or less in this way since 1865, and has tried almost everything in use for those ailments. Last August he secured a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and before he had used them he had been used them, stop of his better. In a recent letter he says: "I have used three boxes and I now think I am well."

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## BORN.

NEAVES—At 12 Penwill street, on the 23rd instant, the wife of Fred Neaves of South Saanich, of a son.

ELAIN—At Victoria, on April 21st, the wife of Colin Blain, of a daughter.

## MARRIED.

MILLER—GALLANT—At Vancouver, on April 20th, by Rev. Dr. Grant, Charles G. Miller and Miss Matilda M. Gallant.

## DIED.

CAMPBELL—At his late residence, 727 Hornby street, Vancouver, B. C., on Tuesday, April 21st, Capt. D. Campbell. The funeral will take place on Friday, leaving Hanna's undertaking parlors at 2:15 and proceeding to Calvary Baptist church, where the services will be held. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

BOLITH—At Kamloops, on April 19th, John Bolith, aged 36 years.

HEATHERINGTON—At Kamloops, on April 19th, Mrs. E. Heatherington, wife of Rev. A. E. Heatherington, aged 55 years.

ROACH—At Rossland, on April 20th, Martin Roach, aged 57 years.

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## Indrasamha In From The Orient

Portland and Asiatic Liner Comes to Ocean Docks to Land Chinese.

Victorian Goes to Load Fuel at Nanaimo—Teas For the North.

The British steamer *Indrasamha*, which left Yokohama on April 6 for this port, arrived at the Ocean docks yesterday afternoon. The *Indrasamha*, a 2,500-ton steamer, is one of the three "Indra" steamers operated by the Portland and Asiatic Line between Portland and the Far East, and the steamers have been placed on the run to Victoria, calling here before going to the Columbia river, in order to accommodate the increased Chinese trade which has started as a result of the proposed increase of the poll tax on Chinese entering the Dominion from \$100 to \$500. The *Indrasamha* had no cargo for this port, but carried about 2,500 tons of through freight to be landed at Portland, consisting of tea, rice, and general Chinese and Japanese merchandise. She proceeded to Portland last night. The steamer had an uneventful passage, encountering moderate weather throughout.

News was brought by the *Indrasamha* from Yokohama that a war ship to be named *Buyo* according to Japanese pronunciation, had been purchased by the Korean government from the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. It is, in fact, the steamer *Kachidate Maru*, used by the company for the transport of coal. The steamer is 2,500 tons, with a speed of 11 knots an hour. She is now being equipped as a war ship at the Uraga docks. The price agreed on is a little over 500,000 yen, including the armament to be paid on delivery at Chemulpo.

**FENNA SIGHTED.**  
Russian Bark Reinsured at 40 Per Cent. Taken Off the List.

The Russian bark *Fenna*, which was overdue on her voyage from Rio de Janeiro to Antwerp, and reinsured at 40 per cent, has been spoken of according to advices received here yesterday, and has been taken off the list. No particulars were given in the despatch received here, other than that the Russian bark, which is 120 days out from San Francisco for Sydney, has been all but given up as lost. She is reinsured at 85 per cent. It is expected that the rate will reach 90 per cent in a few days.

**VICTORIAN LEAVES.**  
Car Ferry Gone to Nanaimo to Load Coal.

The steamer *Victorian*—the new car ferry, which will be placed in service between Sidney and Liverpool on May 1, left last night for Nanaimo to load bunker coal and complete her preparations for her first voyage. The *Victorian* is 120 days out from San Francisco for Sydney, has been all but given up as lost. She is reinsured at 85 per cent. It is expected that the rate will reach 90 per cent in a few days.

The dining room aft is filled with rows of seats, upholstered in red plush for passengers, with two little hole-in-the-corner offices on either side—one as a baggage room, and the other for the purser. The staterooms are on the main deck, and the saloon aft is unchanged, other than it does not extend forward of the after end of the engine-room casing. There are a few staterooms—about a dozen left. Two passenger ways run along the side of the engine-room casing to the bar and smoking room. The crew are housed below, and the galley is also below. Everywhere there has been a change, although the changes are not radical, from the water, the most noticeable alterations showing from the exterior, being the replacing of the two masts with very small sticks, and the change in the hull to allow the masts to be run aboard. The interior of the steamer, however, is much changed, as stated above.

Capt. Rogers is in command of the vessel, and he is helped by Mr. Maguire, formerly of the *Strathcona*, is chief engineer, and others in the steamer's complement of officers are Mr. Charles Brown, who is steward, and Harry Howard, who is purser of the car ferry.

**ST. DAVID ARRIVES.**  
Had Adventurous Voyage From Manila Via Yokohama.

The ship for which the tug *Lorne* went down the Straits, was the United States ship *St. David*, which was sailing in, and did not get out, until the *Lorne* arrived, so the tug returned and proceeded to Vancouver for the lumber laden schooner *Carrier Dove*, which was towed to sea. The *St. David* was dismasted and drifted about the Pacific coast, and she sailed from Manila, from which port she came after being repaired. The *St. David* left Manila on October 21, and put into Yokohama on January 18. She sailed from Yokohama for Victoria on March 18. The vessel sailed into Port Angeles early this morning.

**FOR THE NORTH.**  
Teas Carries Big Cargo For Canneries and Way Ports.

Steamer *Teas*, Capt. Hughes, which left last night for Naas and way ports, had a full cargo, which included a variety of collection of merchandise. There was a saw mill plant for the swatches at Bella Bella, shipped by E. G. Prior & Co., shipments of groceries and supplies for the cannery, shipped by the Hudson Bay Company, to be transported at Port Eslington; cannery machinery, piping, and saw frames, doors, 20,000 bricks and general supplies for the Oceanic Cannery, which, Binky, Dr. Hume, and Dr. Hume, which sailed from Victoria the month of the Skeena; boiler, piping, steam drill, machinery and supplies for

the British Columbia Pyrites Company, which is mining sulphur in the Oxtal river, a tributary of the Skeena. There was also tin plate, salt, lead and other cannery supplies for many canneries. Alena Bay to Naas Harbor, groceries for village stores, and everything from sewing machines to grave stones for dead Indians. The steamer had a full cargo. The passengers who went North on the steamer included Messrs. J. W. Brydon and W. Swinerton, of the B. C. Pyrites Company, who are going to install the machinery at the sulphur mines on the Oxtal river; O. A. Ragstad, H. Humphrey and G. Lawson. A number of Chinese deck passengers, and their pigs and effects, were carried in the twin decks.

**ONE SIDED.**  
Canadian Shipping Papers Comment on Privileges Given U. S. Steamers.

The securing of the whole of the freight-carrying trade of Canada by Canadian shipping is a question in which all shipping and railway men are specially interested, says the Canadian Railway and Shipping World for April. Every effort put forward to this end is met with the steady opposition of the U. S. shipping interests, and those residing in Canada who are interested in handling its traffic. An instance of the manner in which Canadian freight is handled over to the United States is given by the Canadian port to another part of Canadian territory is to be found on the Pacific Coast, where the great bulk of the freight for the Yukon is carried from Vancouver, B. C., in U. S. steamers to Yukon ports. Two reasons why this is the case are given; one, the scarcity of Canadian bottoms on the Coast, and the other, the U. S. coasting regulations which prevent Canadian vessels from carrying freight at Vancouver and Victoria intended for Dawson and other points in the Yukon territory. The order-in-council passed in January directed that goods taken from one part of Canada to another, even when transported through U. S. waters, should be carried in Canadian vessels. If its operations had been made applicable all over the Dominion it would have been sufficient to have diverted a considerable trade from United States to Canadian steamers, but the Department of Customs has given notice that the new order is not at present intended to permit U. S. vessels to load and unload goods at Canadian ports. A Pacific Coast paper says that 80 per cent. of the shipments of Canadian goods to the Yukon territory are carried in U. S. steamers. If there was any attempt at a reciprocal arrangement by which Canadian vessels were accorded privileges in United States waters, in or around Puget Sound, or in Alaskan waters, there would be some ground for claiming the present arrangement, but seeing that the United States waters are strictly closed to Canadian coasting vessels, the concession is a one-sided one. The Canadian steamship owners are assured by law that they will have the Canadian carrying trade then the number of Canadian vessels on the Coast will increase, but it is doubtful if they will until.

**CANNERY TENDER.**  
Work will be commenced shortly on a new cannery tender to be built for the company of Mr. Brewster of Victoria and Clayoquot, is manager, at Turf's Wharf. The hull will be 65 feet long, 14 ft. beam and 7 ft. deep. A motor boiler will be built for her, and she will be equipped with the machinery of the old missionary steamer *Glad Tidings*, which met with disaster in Shushard Bay some time ago. She will be about 100 tons in weight. The hull is to be completed about 35 days hence.

**MARINE NOTES.**  
The schooner *Gotama* cleared for a walrus hunting cruise from San Francisco on Wednesday. This is the first vessel to sail hence on such a mission for many years, but the owners believe the venture will be highly profitable. It is likely that the *Gotama* will sail for the Westward of Point Barrow, in the Arctic, before returning. Capt. Macomber, an old whaler, is master of the schooner.

The schooner *Balboa* is en route North from Mollendo, Peru, to load lumber at the Hastings Mills. The steamer *Wyfield* arrived at San Francisco on Wednesday from Nanaimo. The steamer *City of Puelia* reached port yesterday evening from San Francisco with an average cargo of lumber. She had a fair complement of passengers. The trip was an uneventful one. The steamer *Senator* will sail for the South tonight.

The steamer *San Mateo* passed up last night from San Francisco to load coal at Comox. The steamer *Mayne*, from this port for Liverpool, passed Perlin on Monday.

Tatoush, April 23—4 p. m., clear, north wind, seven miles. Towards, steamer *San Mateo* from San Francisco for Comox, at 9 a. m.; schooner *Shiloh* from Tacoma for Victoria; Towinset; steamer *City of Puelia* from San Francisco for Victoria at 11:30.

Outward, schooner *Alena*, from Victoria for San Pedro; steamer *Lochinawa*, from Tacoma for San Francisco; schooner *Shiloh*, from Tacoma for Victoria.

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**PERSONALS.**  
Superintendent F. S. Hussey returned from the Mainland last evening, having lodged the escaped prisoner Jones in the county jail. Jones will come to the morning before the magistrate on several charges.

A. C. Hirschfeld arrived from the Mainland last evening to lay certain information before the Provincial Mining Association executive respecting the telegram to Mr. Staples from Adlin in relation to crown granting placer claims.

P. L. Auten and wife, Cora Auten and Frank Auten are tourists from Chicago staying at the Diarr.

A. E. Gillespie of San Francisco is at the Vernon.

K. B. McLennan and H. D. Wolf, of Vancouver, are at the Diarr.

Quartermaster Sergt. Swaine and two privates arrived here from Halifax on Wednesday evening. They will take on duties in the Army Ordnance Service Corps stationed here.

Jailor Thos. Conlin is seriously ill at the Jubilee hospital. Yesterday it was reported that he had slightly recovered, although he is still very low.

Capt. J. S. Gibson, who is seriously ill at the chemists, was slightly improved yesterday.

J. J. V. O'Connor, of New York City, is registered at the Victoria. He is here pushing the sale of the hats of Hawes von Gal Co., of New York. It is not alone as the ambassador of commerce, though, that Mr. O'Connor is widely known. He is a prominent member of the Elks and is widely known in that fraternity. Constable J. Woods of the city police force is a former member of the Elks, and is visiting here, and they are renewing acquaintance after a lapse of many years.

Registered at the Vernon hotel yesterday were H. M. Westcott, of St. Paul; A. H. Winger, Toronto, and Jas. Kerridge and Wm. J. McMaster, Vancouver.

W. H. Ladner, of Ladners, spent yesterday in the city, a guest at the Dominion hotel.

W. C. Spicer, treasurer of the Yreka Copper Co., is in the city. He is a guest at the Dominion.

M. A. Graining, of Pender Island, is in the city on a business visit.

W. A. Anderson and wife, of New York, are registered at the Dominion.

S. J. Pitt, 14, and son were passengers from the Sound on the *Majestic* yesterday afternoon.

W. M. Brewer, the well known mining inspector, came over from the Sound on the *Majestic* yesterday afternoon.

S. J. Lathin, United States customs inspector, came over from the Sound on the *Majestic* yesterday afternoon.

The following party of Vancouverites came over on the *Charmar* yesterday evening and registered at the Diarr: J. C. Campbell, W. M. Knaprick, Wm. A. Montgomerie and Stewart Livingston.

A. C. Hirschfeld, of Adlin, came over from the Mainland on the *Charmar* last night. He is at the Diarr.

Among those who registered at the Diarr last night were J. B. Knaprick, H. E. H. Knaprick, J. Knaprick, and wife, Revelstoke; T. L. Morrissey, Montreal, and E. Ellis, Seattle.

**STRENGTH AND ENDURANCE.**  
Are factors of the greatest success. In no season of the year are they more easily exhausted than in the spring. We need not discuss the reason for this. It is enough to say there is one, and that is the fact that the body is weakened by the winter season. The body is weakened by the winter season. The body is weakened by the winter season.

In washing woollens and flannels, Leve's Dry Soap (a powder) will be found very satisfactory.

New Summer Suits, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$15.00. B. Williams & Co.

Cummins—How are you getting along with that Omaha girl you were so devoted to? "Course of true love didn't run smooth, eh?" "I can smooth enough until I processed, and then she shot me the Omaha—Kansai City Journal.

**THE SUREST CURE FOR WARTS.**  
Is a few applications of Putnam's Painless Wart and Corn Extractor. It has been used for years and never fails. Try "Putnam's."

General George D. Davis, Judge advocate general of the army, has been designated to represent the army at a conference to meet in Geneva, Switzerland, on September 1, for the purpose of considering proposed changes in the Red Cross convention of August 22, 1864.

The action of Carter's Little Liver Pills is pleasant, mild and natural. They gently stimulate the liver, and regulate the bowels, but do not purge. They are sure to please. Try them.

**BUSINESS POINTERS.**  
The crash hats shown at Geo. H. Jackson's hat show, which are made from real crashers and for a comfortable look about hat, they are no knockers, and are hard to knock out. No young man who wants to be in it should be without one of these crashers.

The best suit sale advertised by Arthur Holmes elsewhere in this city is going on, and those in need of such would do well to call and inspect these goods. They are of the best quality, well made and good values at the prices they are being offered.

**VICTORIA TIDES.**  
For the Month of April, 1903.  
(Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The time used is Pacific standard for the 12th Meridian West of Greenwich, from 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Day.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
1st	W.	11:44	1.4	11:44	1.4	11:44	1.4
2nd	Tu.	11:43	1.3	11:43	1.3	11:43	1.3
3rd	W.	11:42	1.2	11:42	1.2	11:42	1.2
4th	Th.	11:41	1.1	11:41	1.1	11:41	1.1
5th	F.	11:40	1.0	11:40	1.0	11:40	1.0
6th	S.	11:39	0.9	11:39	0.9	11:39	0.9
7th	S.	11:38	0.8	11:38	0.8	11:38	0.8
8th	M.	11:37	0.7	11:37	0.7	11:37	0.7
9th	Tu.	11:36	0.6	11:36	0.6	11:36	0.6
10th	W.	11:35	0.5	11:35	0.5	11:35	0.5
11th	Th.	11:34	0.4	11:34	0.4	11:34	0.4
12th	F.	11:33	0.3	11:33	0.3	11:33	0.3
13th	S.	11:32	0.2	11:32	0.2	11:32	0.2
14th	S.	11:31	0.1	11:31	0.1	11:31	0.1
15th	M.	11:30	0.0	11:30	0.0	11:30	0.0
16th	Tu.	11:29	0.1	11:29	0.1	11:29	0.1
17th	W.	11:28	0.2	11:28	0.2	11:28	0.2
18th	Th.	11:27	0.3	11:27	0.3	11:27	0.3
19th	F.	11:26	0.4	11:26	0.4	11:26	0.4
20th	S.	11:25	0.5	11:25	0.5	11:25	0.5
21st	S.	11:24	0.6	11:24	0.6	11:24	0.6
22nd	M.	11:23	0.7	11:23	0.7	11:23	0.7
23rd	Tu.	11:22	0.8	11:22	0.8	11:22	0.8
24th	W.	11:21	0.9	11:21	0.9	11:21	0.9
25th	Th.	11:20	1.0	11:20	1.0	11:20	1.0
26th	F.	11:19	1.1	11:19	1.1	11:19	1.1
27th	S.	11:18	1.2	11:18	1.2	11:18	1.2
28th	S.	11:17	1.3	11:17	1.3	11:17	1.3
29th	M.	11:16	1.4	11:16	1.4	11:16	1.4
30th	Tu.	11:15	1.5	11:15	1.5	11:15	1.5

## Conservation Of Mining

Large and Enthusiastic Meeting Held Last Evening Effects Organization.

Resolution of Executive Asking Aid For Silver Lead Endorsed.

The large attendance at last evening's meeting at the Board of Trade rooms of a local branch of the Provincial Mining Association was most gratifying. The gathering was a most representative one, prominent members of the province's industrial, mercantile, mining and professional ranks being present.

Organization was promptly effected with considerable enthusiasm and the local branch has commenced its existence with every augury of a prosperous and useful future.

Proceedings were commenced by D. W. Higgins and C. D. Mason being appointed respectively temporary chairman and secretary. After some opening remarks by Mr. Higgins, in which he pointed out the objects to be accomplished by the Victoria branch and the share which he hoped it would have in promoting the mining interests of the province, Mr. J. J. Higgins, of the Victoria branch, was called upon to present the resolution of the executive.

The resolution, which was presented by the chair to enlighten the meeting upon the condition of the silver-lead mines, was as follows: "Resolved, That the executive of the Provincial Mining Association, in connection with facts and figures, showing how the silver-lead mines had been checked by the failure of the Federal government to render the assistance to which they are entitled, be requested to urge the United States government to place lead and its products upon the same basis as the other manufactures of Canada. It was out of the question to start corroding works in the United States, and the protection of the Dominion would institute adequate protection, he had the assurance that works to treat lead would be started at once. The lead industry should be placed on the same footing as other industries in Canada. It was the only permanent solution, anything in the nature of a bounty was only a temporary expedient. The policy of protection in the United States had stimulated the industry without increasing the cost to the consumer. If the Dominion would put on a protective tariff on lead, the market would increase threefold within a year, and merchants in Victoria would be surprised at the number of orders for lead. The business and industry would be benefited. He asked Victoria to back up the Upper Country, where they felt very keenly the present situation. Mr. Campbell, in closing, expressed his enthusiastic applause upon its conclusion.

The branch was then formally organized, seconded by H. D. Helmeke, M. P., and passed the motion of Mr. Thompson, secretary, to the effect that the association, constitute themselves into the Victoria branch of the association.

It was resolved that the officers were to consist of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and an executive committee of seven members, of whom two would represent labor, one the manufacturers, one the wholesale merchants, one the retailers, one the mine owners, and one the professional men.

The elections were then proceeded with, resulting as follows: R. Machin, president; Frank L. Clarke, secretary; Joshua Kingham, treasurer; and an executive committee of seven members, of whom two would represent labor, one the manufacturers, one the wholesale merchants, one the retailers, one the mine owners, and one the professional men.

The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Higgins moved, and Mayor McCord seconded, that the Victoria branch endorse the preamble and resolution urging upon the Dominion government the necessity of affording relief to the silver-lead industry of the province.

President John Keen was then invited by the chair to address the branch. He confirmed his remarks to an interesting narrative of the difficulties experienced by the silver-lead industry, and in effecting an agreement between the company and the strikers at Fernie. They had found on their arrival a wall between the contending interests almost impossible to break down. Sixty-five to seventy per cent. of the country's silver and gold was produced in the Yukon, and the strikers at Fernie, which could speak English, proved the most obstinate. He considered that if unhappily future friction were to transpire, that that organized labor should

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Mr. Hobson, "Father of the Association," was also called upon, and, like Mr. Keen, was the recipient of enthusiastic applause when he rose to speak. He congratulated the branch upon its successful organization. He predicted great results to the province from the work to be accomplished by the association and its various branches. He was in a position to say that British Columbia possessed the richest placer ground in the world. With proper legislation, the placer properties would yield \$50,000,000 per year. Industry would be stimulated and an era of prosperity would be inaugurated.

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**WHY WATCHES, LIKE WOMEN, HAVE CAPRICES.**  
Every owner of a watch should consider that the delicate piece of mechanism belongs to the feminine gender, and like a sweetheart or a child, should be tenderly cared for and not subjected to sudden changes of temperature. Many a man who would not think of letting his wife go out in the evening without some kind of wrap about her shoulders will wear his watch next his warm body all day and let it lie at night in a cold pocket. Then he wonders why it gains or loses time.

Many causes contribute to the watch composing the balance wheel and its parts, and the watch consequently gains. When the parts expand under the heat of the day, the watch loses time, etc., tighten up and the watch loses.

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## The Day of Small Things

(Continued From Page One.)  
The resolution was unanimously carried, reads as follows:

"Whereas at the last session of this assembly a resolution, asking the Dominion government to increase the duties on lead, and the products thereof, entering Canada, was adopted unanimously; and

"Whereas resolutions having the same object in view have since been passed by provincial boards of trade, mining associations, trades and labor councils and other representative and non-partisan bodies, and delegates from these bodies have visited Ottawa and have laid the depressed condition of the mining industry before the government;

"And whereas the unanimous opinion of the province that the only remedy is the imposition of increased duties on lead, and the products thereof, entering Canada; and

"Whereas the members of parliament and senators representing British Columbia have, without exception, endorsed this remedy;

"Therefore, be it resolved, that this assembly deplores the fact that no action has been taken by the Dominion government to aid the industry in some substantial manner; records the fact that the need of the lead-mining industry is now greater and more pressing than at any previous time, and earnestly urges upon the Dominion government a reconsideration of its attitude upon this question as the best means by which prosperity can be restored and extended in an important Canadian industry; and this too without a departure from the fiscal policy of the government, for which is asked has long been accorded every other industry in Canada;

Resolved, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. W. S. Fielding, and to the members of the government, and to the members and members of parliament from British Columbia.

(MR. HAWTHORTHWAITE OBSERVATIONS.)

Upon the order for second reading of Mr. Hawthorthwaite's bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation bill, being reached, the Premier, Mr. McBride, requested that the bill be allowed to stand over until the government's bill on the same subject was presented, when the member for Nanaimo City might properly offer his suggestions in preparation for a comprehensive bill, in preparation for the bill before the House as soon as possible, and which, while not wholly on the lines of the bill of the Nanaimo City member, might include some of the suggestions of the latter.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite declined to accede to this suggestion. He would not consent to any further delay, he observed, unless the Premier would give assurance that the contents of his bill should be incorporated in the government bill.

Hon. Col. Prior remarked that he could scarcely agree to such a sweeping proposition.

On the contrary, said Mr. Hawthorthwaite, the Premier had said that he would expose some of the features of this bill, which he insisted should be forthwith proceeded with.

Mr. E. S. Smith agreed with certain features of the bill before the House, but did not think the complications created by which these should be sacrificed.

Hon. Col. Prior held that there should not be unnecessary multiplicity of bills on one subject. All suggestions should be dealt with in a single bill, and in a single bill.

Still Mr. Hawthorthwaite insisted that the bill should be at once gone on with.

Hon. Mr. McInnes accordingly resumed the debate, and, regretfully, he had been moved by him, regretfully, the course pursued by Mr. Hawthorthwaite, as calculated to defeat the interests which he ostensibly was championing. As for the bill, it was unfortunately, he said, several amendments had been brought up individually in committee, in which case no doubt some would have been accepted. The unfortunate feature of the present situation was this—that in forcing his bill to a voting vote, in introducing it, the measure's defeat, that member made it impossible, according to the rules of the House, for any member to bring forward the subjects dealt with in his bill during the current session. One of the reasons for this was that in his bill during the definition of a mine, one of the clauses was in accordance with the (Mr. McInnes) was quite in accord with. As to making fortnightly payment of wages in mines obligatory, he did not see, if the idea was a good one, why it should not be more generally applied for the benefit of the wage earners. As to the third feature, it proposed to deal with the arbitration clause of the act by putting in a definition as to the weight of a ton of coal—which, by the way, was already fully covered in the act passed during the Session, at the instance of Hon. Dr. McEwen. These were a few reasons why he thought Mr. Hawthorthwaite would have served his ostensible purposes better by taking a more moderate course. As for the supply of timbering, there might be merit in the proposal of the bill, which should, however, be made to conform to the legislation already on the statute book. He did not propose to be dragged into a discussion of a measure, and regretted that the obstinacy of the Nanaimo City member made it impossible for him to do otherwise than oppose the bill as it was now forced forward for second reading.

With a desire to see and compare the proposed government measure, and voicing the opinion that unnecessary multiplicity of measures on the same subject should be avoided, Mr. A. W. Smith moved the further adjournment of the debate, to which the House agreed.

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## HAPPENINGS IN THE POLICE COURT

Harper Fined For Shooting a Dog—The Cementing of Family Harmony.

William Harper, milkman, could not get the magistrate to believe his tale of never having discharged firearms—and he was convicted and fined \$10 or 20 days in clink yesterday morning.

Detective Macdonald had already told of how he went to Harper at the Davis milk ranch near Gorge road, and asked him about shooting at a dog near the barn and fire at the dog, which yelped and dragged itself away in pain.

Mr. Pamphlett told of seeing a man the build of Harper, with a gun, and fire at the dog, which yelped and dragged itself away in pain.

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## DEPUTY GORE GIVES EVIDENCE

Continuation of Hon. Mr. Eberts' Examination Tomorrow Morning.

Hon. Mr. Eberts being otherwise engaged yesterday morning, the Oliver committee on the Columbia & Western land grants postponed the further hearing of his testimony and listened to the examination of Deputy Commissioner W. S. Gore, who first of all was questioned as to the amount of land reserved for the purposes of this particular subsidy.

The tract was, he said, 124 miles in length by 50 miles in width.

Asked if the total area had been exhausted, the Deputy Minister replied in the negative—there were probably two million acres, approximately, left.

Interrogated as to whether the lands in this reserve could not more properly be called "timber" as previously contiguous to the line of railway, than blocks 4,593 and 4,594 in South East Kootenay, Mr. Gore admitted that they are. Prospecting applications for this part of South East Kootenay had been made long ago as seven or eight years back.

With reference to the memorandum "B" attached to the order-in-council of the 4th of September 1901, the witness stated that it had not been prepared under his direction in the Lands and Works Department, and must, presumably, have come from the Chief Commissioner's office. Hon. Mr. Wells had cancelled the grants made by order-in-council of the 4th September, in his witness's presence, initiating the cancellation, about the 18th of March. He did not recollect any explanation having been made by the Chief Commissioner at the time. As for any subsequent explanation, it was suggested that Hon. Mr. Wells would be the proper person to examine.

During yesterday's sitting, caustic comment was made by the chairman as to the garbled report of Mr. George Macdonald's evidence appearing in the Daily Times. As no reporter of that paper had been in attendance, it would be interesting to know, he observed, where the report originated.

Mr. Oliver admitted that he had furnished the reporter data from his notes, and endorsed the published resume as in his view practically correct.

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